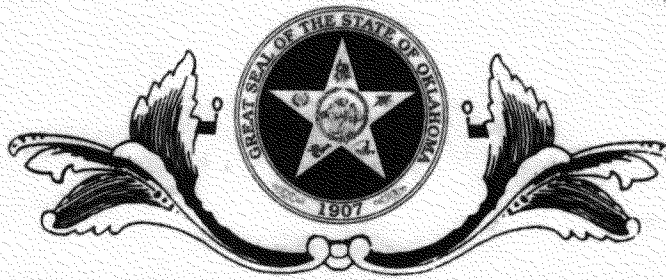


# STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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## Proclamation

**Whereas**, author, political activist, and lecturer Helen Keller was one of the most accomplished and renowned deafblind Americans and the anniversary of her birth occurs on June 27<sup>th</sup>; and

**Whereas**, Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services continues to show that Oklahomans, including those who are deafblind, who become employed are more likely to eliminate or reduce their dependence on benefits and government services; and

**Whereas**, the State of Oklahoma remains committed to full participation of Oklahomans with multi-sensory disabilities in our economy by fostering employment and promoting transportation, housing and recreational options for people who are deafblind; and

**Whereas**, it is highly appropriate to publicize the abilities, needs and potential of Oklahomans who are deafblind or have severe vision and hearing disabilities and to recognize Helen Keller as a guiding example of courage, hope, determination and achievement for individuals who are deafblind;

**Now Therefore**, I, Governor J. Kevin Stitt, do hereby proclaim June 25<sup>th</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, as

**"DRS DeafBlind Services Awareness Week"**

in the State of Oklahoma

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.*



*Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this twenty-third day of June, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty-three, and of the State of Oklahoma in the One-hundred and Fifteenth year.*

*Kevin Stitt*  
GOVERNOR

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